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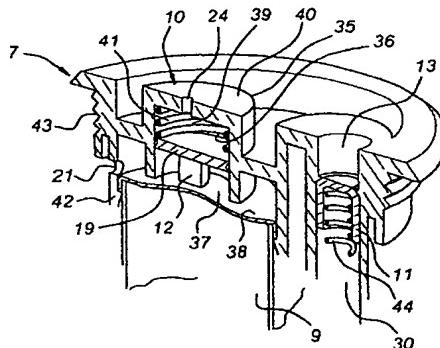
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- (54) Title: PRESSURE REGULATOR FOR A CONTAINER FOR A CARBONATED DRINK



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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a container (1) for carbonated drink provided with a chamber (2) containing the drink, a drink dispensing opening (13) for drink from the chamber, a pressure medium chamber which pressure medium chamber (9) has an outlet (21) that is closed by a valve for delivering pressure medium and a pressure regulating element (10) connected to the valve for operating the valve, wherein the pressure regulating element has a housing (35) with an end wall (40), a peripheral wall (36) and a piston (19) that can be moved in the housing along the peripheral wall in a sealed manner, wherein an upper housing part (39) is formed between a side of the piston that faces the end wall and a lower housing part (37) that least partially surround the valve, wherein the piston engages on the delivery valve and wherein the upper housing part of the housing is in fluid communication with a reference pressure source.



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Container wherein the chamber is provided with an activating member.

2. claim: 7

Container wherein the upper housing part comprises a cylindrical wall with screw thread and a cap comprising complementary screw thread.

3. claims: 12,15

Container comprising a dispensing line wherein the drink dispensing opening is located at a distance from the centre line of the chamber.

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